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Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Drive Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re:

Application of Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Interexchange and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services and for Flexible and Alternative Regulation of Local and Interexchange Service Offerings

Docket No. 2009-380-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find a Petition to Intervene on behalf of Home Telecom, Inc. and Home Telephone Company, Inc. in the above-referenced docket. By copy of this letter and Certificate of Service, a copy is being served on all parties of record.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Home Telecom, Inc. and Home Telephone Company, Inc. (collectively referred to herein as "Home Telecom") respectfully submit the within Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket. In support of the Petition, Home Telecom would respectfully show unto this honorable Commission:

- 1. Home Telephone Company, Inc. is an incumbent local exchange carrier and a rural telephone company operating in its designated service area in South Carolina, which is located in Berkeley and Dorchester Counties. Home Telecom, Inc. is an affiliate of Home Telephone Company, Inc., and is authorized to provide interexchange and competitive local exchange services in South Carolina. See Commission Order No. 2004-250 in Docket No. 2004-61-C.
- 2. Home Telecom seeks to intervene in this proceeding with full rights to participate as a party of record in so far as its interests might appear.
- 3. Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever, Inc. proposes to offer local and interexchange telecommunications services in the state of South Carolina. Home Telecom currently offers a service product known as "Velocity" in certain areas served by Home Telephone Company, Inc. and Home Telecom, Inc. Home Telecom has expended considerable resources in marketing its Velocity product in the respective service areas, including but not limited to direct mail marketing, bill

inserts, and using the Velocity logo on company vehicles.

- 4. Home Telecom's position in this matter is that use of the name "Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever" is likely to lead to customer confusion between Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever and Home Telecom's Velocity service product. Home Telecom further believes that the name "Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever" is likely to misrepresent the nature, characteristics, quality or origin of services between Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever and Home Telecom's Velocity service product.
- 5. Home Telecom believes it would be contrary to the public interest for the Commission to certify a carrier to provide telecommunications services in South Carolina if the carrier has a name that is likely to cause customer confusion and misrepresent the nature, characteristics, quality and origin with respect to services already being offered in South Carolina by other certificated carriers.
- 6. Correspondence and communications to Home Telecom with respect to this proceeding should be directed to the undersigned counsel.

WHEREFORE, Home Telecom, Inc. and Home Telephone Company, Inc. respectfully request that this honorable Commission permit their intervention in this proceeding as their interests might appear.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is to certify that I, Rebecca W. Martin, an employee with the McNair Law Firm, P. A., have this date served one (1) copy of the attached Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced matter to the persons named below by causing said copy to be deposited with the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below.

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